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OFFICE OF
SOLID WASTE AND EMERGENCY
RESPONSE

SEP 26 2013

Mr. Matthew Drange
The Center for Investigative Reporting
2130 Center Street, Suite 103
Berkeley, CA 94704

RE: Response to Freedom of Information Act Request: EPA-HQ-2013-009457

Dear Mr. Drange:

This letter is in response to your above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). In this FOIA of August 27, 2013, you requested a copy of the most recent list of commercial hazardous waste carbon regeneration facilities.

In your request, you provided a copy of a March 2006 list of existing and proposed commercial hazardous waste carbon regeneration facilities that was developed by EPA's Region 9 office. Prior to us receiving your FOIA request, we had recently generated a draft, updated list of operating commercial hazardous waste carbon regeneration facilities located in the U.S. In response to your FOIA request, we are providing you this draft list of facilities.

This facility list is labeled "draft" because our hazardous waste facility data tracking system, known as RCRAInfo, does not have a unique data field identifier for a hazardous waste carbon regeneration facility. As a result, we were unable to conduct a simple data query to generate a list of commercial hazardous waste carbon regeneration facilities. Nonetheless, we conducted several data queries for certain types of RCRAInfo-coded facilities anticipated to capture most, if not all, commercial hazardous waste carbon regeneration facilities. In addition, we conferred with our Regional EPA counterparts.

Based on our search of the information available to EPA and our consultations with Regions, to the best of our knowledge we believe there are four commercial hazardous waste carbon regeneration facilities currently operating in the U.S. – two in Pennsylvania, and the other two in Arizona and Kentucky. Please see the enclosure for the details we have on these facilities.

If you have any further questions concerning this request, please contact George Hull at (703) 308-0050 or Hull.george@epa.gov.

You may appeal this response to the National Freedom of Information Officer, U.S. EPA, FOIA and Privacy Branch, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only), Fax: (202) 566-2147, E-mail: hq.foia@epa.gov. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20001.

Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 calendar day limit. The appeal letter should include the request number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the appeal letter and its envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Betsy Devlin", with a large, stylized initial "D".

Betsy Devlin, Director
Materials Recovery and
Waste Management Division

Enclosure

ENCLOSURE

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Response to FOIA Request from the Center for Investigative Reporting
FOIA No. EPA-HQ-2013-009457

List of Commercial Hazardous Waste Thermal Carbon Regeneration Facilities

Commercial Hazardous Waste Thermal Carbon Regeneration Facilities
Draft August 2013

No.	Facility Name	City	State	RCRAInfo Facility ID	RCRAInfo Process
1	Siemens Industry Inc.	Darlington	PA	PAD987270725	Thermal Unit (X03)
2	Calgon Carbon Corp.	Pittsburgh	PA	PAD000736942	Other Treatment (T04)
3	Calgon Carbon Corp.	Catlettsburg	KY	KYD005009923	Other Treatment (T04)
4	Siemens Water Technologies Corp.	Parker	AZ	AZD982441263	Thermal Unit (X03)